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For: **DYED SHEATH/CORE FIBERS AND METHODS OF  
MAKING SAME**

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Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to calculation of the filing fee in the above identified application, please  
amend the claims as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 10 through 20.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1 through 9 are submitted for examination in the presently filed divisional  
application, while canceled claims 10 through 20 are pending in parent application  
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An early and favorable action based on the merits of the present claims is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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